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Occidental Chemical Corporation, Ruco Polymer Site, Hicksville, New York

Dear Mr. Piaggione:

Enclosed please find a report on soil sampling at Occidental Chemical Corporation's former RUCO Division plant site in Hicksville, New York. As you will see from that report, further sampling is recommended by Leggette, Brashears & Graham ("LBG"), which the Company has authorized LBG to proceed with taking. As in the past, LBG will advise the White Plains office so that they may observe the sampling. The PCB issue appears to be close to resolution, and we hope this final round of sampling will complete the remaining details.

During our last telephone conversation, we discussed scheduling a meeting for you with Vance Bryant to discuss with the Company and its consultants the remaining issues on the site. We would be glad to have such a meeting, and suggest a date towards the end of February or early March. In our conversation, I recall that you felt that there might not be upgradient wells. This is a little puzzling as we have upgradient wells on the Hicksville plant site property.

John Hanna,